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For: PB-FREE SOLDER-CONNECTED STRUCTURE AND
ELECTRONIC DEVICE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application, prior to examination
thereof, as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, between the title and the heading "TECHNICAL FIELD", please
add the following new paragraph:

This application is a Continuation application of prior application Serial
No. 09/581,631, filed June 15, 2000, which is a national stage application under
35 USC 371 of International (PCT) Application No. PCT/JP98/05565, filed
December 9, 1998